

STATEMENT OF REASONS

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

CHAPTER 10

REGULATION FOR IMPORTATION, POSSESSION, CONFINEMENT, TRANSPORTATION, SALE AND DISPOSITION OF LIVE WILDLIFE

W.S. §23-1-302(a)(vi) directs and empowers the commission to capture, propagate, transport, buy, sell or exchange any species of game animal, bird, fish, fish eggs or furbearing animal needed for propagation or stocking purposes, and to exercise control over undesirable species and protected species.

W. S. §23-1-302(a)(xxvi) directs and empowers the commission to regulate or prohibit the importation of exotic species, small game animals, furbearing animals, protected animals, game birds, migratory birds, protected birds and fish into Wyoming, and to regulate and permit the importation of big or trophy game animals into Wyoming only for exhibition purposes or for zoos.

“Old” Sections 2, 3, 15, 20 and 22 have been deleted from this regulation in compliance with the Governor’s rules initiative and direction to reduce the number and length of rules where possible.

Some definitions have been consolidated from other Commission Regulations into Chapter 10. A new Section 12 is being provided to outline a permit application denial review process. Taxonomic references have also been updated in the new Section 19.

Minor grammatical and formatting edits have been incorporated to provide additional clarity but do not change the intent of the rules and regulations.